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In re Application of:

REDDY, ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/759,678

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Title: "SETTABLE FLUIDS COMPRISING
PARTICLE-SIZE DISTRIBUTION-
ADJUSTING AGENTS AND METHODS OF
USE"

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Group Art Unit: 1755

Examiner: Paul D. Marcantoni

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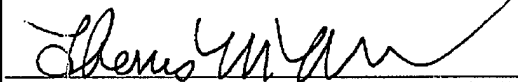
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed on August 19, 2004, the examiner imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. The examiner indicated that the claims covered four distinct inventions and required selection of one set of claims for prosecution on the merits.

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In response to the Office Action of August 19, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests that the amendments set forth below be entered to withdraw claims 40-86, 114-119, and 120-122, and elect claims 1-39, and 87-113 for prosecution on the merits. As the 30-day shortened statutory period for reply is due September 19, 2004, and this response is being filed on August 30, 2004, this Response is considered timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Summary begins on page 17 of this paper.